

January 20

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with Minister of External Affairs Yashwant Sinha of India to discuss India-Pakistan and India-U.S. relations.

Later in the morning, also in the Oval Office, the President met with Adnan Pachachi, interim President of the Governing Council of Iraq, and other Governing Council members.

January 21

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Toledo, OH, where, upon arrival, he greeted USA Freedom Corps volunteer Bruce Vanisacker. He then traveled to Perrysburg Township, OH.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Phoenix, AZ, where, upon arrival in the afternoon, he greeted USA Freedom Corps volunteer Hilary Juel.

January 22

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Roswell, NM, where he greeted USA Freedom Corps volunteer Amy Coppin.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate John J. Young, Jr., to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology.

January 23

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with James A. Baker III, his personal envoy on the issue of Iraqi debt.

The President announced his nomination of Scott H. DeLisi to be Ambassador to Eritrea.

The President announced his nomination of Aubrey Hooks to be Ambassador to Cote d'Ivoire.

The President announced his nomination of Joseph D. Stafford III to be Ambassador to The Gambia.

**Nominations
Submitted to the Senate**

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted January 20

Claude A. Allen,
of Virginia, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, vice Francis D. Murnaghan, Jr., deceased.

Paul S. Diamond,
of Pennsylvania, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, vice Herbert J. Hutton, retired.

Robert Bryan Harwell,
of South Carolina, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of South Carolina, vice C. Weston Houck, retiring.

George P. Schiavelli,
of California, to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California, vice Lourdes G. Baird, retiring.

Submitted January 21

Charles Johnson,
of Utah, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency, vice Linda Morrison Combs.

Stephen L. Johnson,
of Maryland, to be Deputy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, vice Linda J. Fisher, resigned.

Gerard Schwarz,
of Washington, to be a member of the National Council on the Arts for the remainder of the term expiring September 3, 2006, vice Earl A. Powell III, resigned.

Bradley D. Belt,
of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Social Security Advisory Board for a term expiring September 30, 2008, vice Stanford G. Ross, term expired, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Cynthia Boich,
of California, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2007, vice Thomas Ehrlich, term expired, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Albert Casey,
of Texas, to be a Governor of the U.S. Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2009, vice Tirso del Junco, term expired, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Clark Kent Ervin,
of Texas, to be Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security (new position), to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Gay Hart Gaines,
of Florida, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2004, vice Ritajean Hartung Butterworth, resigned, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Dorothy A. Johnson,
of Michigan, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2007 (reappointment), to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Robert Lerner,
of Maryland, to be Commissioner of Education Statistics for a term expiring June 21, 2009, vice Pascal D. Forgione, Jr., term expired, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Henry Lozano,
of California, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2008, vice Christopher C. Gallagher, term expired, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Ronald E. Meisburg,
of Virginia, to be a member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of 5 years expiring August 27, 2008, vice Rene Acosta, resigned, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Claudia Puig,
of Florida, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2008, vice Winter D. Horton, Jr., term expired, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Fayza Veronique Boulad Rodman,
of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2006, vice Robert M. Ledbetter, Jr., term expired, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Raymond Simon,
of Arkansas, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, vice Susan B. Neuman, resigned, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Withdrawn January 21

Mark C. Brickell,
of New York, to be Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, Department of Housing and Urban Development, for a term of 5 years, vice Armando Falcon, Jr., resigned, which was sent to the Senate on June 12, 2003.

Submitted January 22

David Safavian,
of Michigan, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, vice Angela Styles.

Submitted January 23

Scott H. DeLisi,
of Minnesota, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the State of Eritrea.

Aubrey Hooks,
of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire.

Joseph D. Stafford III,
of Florida, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of The Gambia.

John J. Young, Jr.,
of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, vice Michael W. Wynne.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released January 19

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that Special Presidential Envoy James A. Baker III will travel to Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia on January 19–22

Released January 20

State of the Union Excerpts

Advance text of the State of the Union Address

Fact sheet: The State of the Union

Fact sheet: New Initiatives in President Bush's State of the Union Address

Released January 21

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Fact sheet: Jobs for the 21st Century

Released January 22

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Fact sheet: Progress in the War on Terror

Released January 23

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 2673

Fact sheet: Protecting Communities by Helping Returning Inmates Find Work

Fact sheet: Seeking Fair Treatment for Faith-Based and Community Charities

Acts Approved by the President

NOTE: No acts approved by the President were received by the Office of the Federal Register during the period covered by this issue.